



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly **email**

Updates for ED Physicians

February 22, 2022 Edition

Operations

SCM Updates!

No SCM Updates for week of Feb 21-25.

Josh Vejprava
Clinical Informatician, IT Clinical Systems User Support

YYC ED Specific

VIRTUAL SUPERVISED CONSUMPTION SERVICES EVALUATION - opportunity to participate in qualitative research interview

We would like to talk to you about something called virtual supervised consumption services. These services can help keep people safe when they use drugs and can be especially helpful for people who use alone. When individuals use some drugs, especially opioids, there can be a risk of fatal overdose. Virtual supervised consumption services can be a telephone service or a smartphone app. Each of these methods monitor people who are using substances and activate emergency services or an emergency response plan if the person using becomes unresponsive.

We would like to hear from health professionals and emergency services professionals that provide health and emergency care to the people these services are trying to help to learn if they can be used to help other people who choose to use substances alone. We will talk to around 60 other people across Canada about these services.

What are you asking me to do?

We would like you to talk with us for 30 - 45 minutes on the telephone. Some things we would like to talk to you about are what you like and don't like about virtual supervised consumption services, and also what you think should be changed to help people who use or want to use alone.

You will talk to a trained evaluator from a contracted evaluation consulting firm called Three Hive Consulting. Please call or email Stephanie Jones (stephanie@threehive.ca or 250.918.5351) with your interest and to book a time.

If you have any questions about participation, feel free to contact Stephanie Vandenberg (vandenberg.stephanie@gmail.com)

Syncope Clinical Pathway input required

Dear colleagues, we are looking at integrating a syncope clinical pathway at the FMC and PLC sites in the coming 12 months that would use the Canadian Syncope Risk Score to stratify patients into low risk (DC without investigations), moderate risk (DC with 15-day wearable rhythm monitors) or high-risk (Admit).

Your input would be appreciated on how you currently use the CSRS (if at all), and what a clinically meaningful reduction in low-yield admissions would be.

Survey link here (copy and paste URL into browser to avoid error message):

<https://redcap.ottawahospital.on.ca/redcap/surveys/?s=HAMC4R4AD9>

Thanks

Andrew McRae

Mental Health Liaison Position

I have greatly enjoyed my work as the Mental Health Liaison for the past 2 years, but have recently stepped down from this position. The Department of Emergency Medicine is in the process of securing additional funding for this role, and I am hopeful the position will be available for another ED physician to fill soon. If you are interested in administrative work and are looking for a role that can serve as an introduction, this position is for you! It is a great opportunity to learn more about the care of mental health patients in our EDs, and the ways we can provide better care to this important patient population. It is also an opportunity to engage with different consultant and stakeholder groups in our hospitals.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me: jennifer.nicol@albertahealthservices.com

PSF Committee Recruiting Members

The PSF is looking for two more interested members to diversify our team. It's a great way to provide some of your service hours to the department, and requires only ~10 hours of virtual meeting/work per year.

Come help us disburse money to support the awesome projects our members contribute for!

Thanks everyone for your support.

Dr. Arun Abbi
Treasurer / Chair
On behalf of PSF Committee

Backcountry Skiing Opportunity: Burnie Glacier Chalet

April 8-15th, 2022 at [Burnie Glacier Chalet](#), 2 spots remaining given cancellations for medical illness/surgery.

Fully guided and catered, small fun group of 8 guests plus guides. Please reach out to Cheyanne.Boehm@gmail.com if interested. Spots need to be filled ASAP.

Wellness

Parenting & working as a physician during COVID - [resources from CSM](#)

Wellness Supports

1. Call your Peer Support Team. [HERE are their phone numbers \(updated October 2021\)](#). The Peer Support Team member can provide an empathetic ear, screen for safety and guide you to resources that exist in our community (i.e PFSP).
 2. Call Physician and Family Services (PFSP) – 1877SOS4MDS. THIS LINE IS AVAILABLE 24/7. You have free hours of counselling for yourself and for your family members.
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Grand Rounds & Journal Club

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds - Thurs Feb 24 & Fri Feb 25

Of Special Note:

- 1) **City-Wide Rounds** will take place on **Thursday, Feb 24** at the regular time
- 2) **Trauma Rounds** will take place on **Friday, Feb 25** (Information below)
- 3) Each session has its own unique **Zoom Link** and **Feedback Survey**.

Session: City-Wide Rnds (0900 – 1000)

Date: Feb 24

Speaker: Dr. Hilary Ambrose

Topic: Adolescent Gynecology

Zoom Link: <https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/97855440669>

Meeting ID: 978 5544 0669 **Passcode:** 024383

Attendance & Eval Link: https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_0lo0dFtJScCrQtU

Friday, Feb 25

Session: Trauma Rounds (0730 – 0830)

Speaker: Dr. Arm Hodhod, Peds Urology Fellow - ACH
Topic: High Grade Renal Injuries

Objectives:

- Diagnosis of renal injuries
- Role of conservative management in high-grade renal injuries
- Indications for surgical interventions in high-grade renal injuries
- Long term complications of renal trauma

Zoom Link <https://cutt.ly/zPxwmMG>

Meeting ID: 617 8663 4620 **Passcode:** 253334

Post Meeting Survey: https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_3CqdGMcpaFawOG

Recording Link: Archived Rounds Recordings can be found [on our website](#).
Please don't share zoom link online.

eSIM Grand Rounds March 25 2022 Dr Walter Eppich

Please join us for our upcoming eSIM Grand Rounds Series on **March 25th 2022 from 1200-1300h**.

This is our fifth presentation in our educational sessions supporting our extended faculty and simulation champions

Title: Reflecting together to get better

While recent initiatives to prepare clinicians for team-based clinical practice emphasize interprofessional education, entrenched structures and practices remain that continue to foster intraprofessional approaches. These same siloes also pervade clinical practice, often characterized by stark boundaries and tribal mentalities between professions and disciplines. Unfortunately, these same boundaries impede communication pathways that are vital for safe, effective, resilient patient care. These tensions also threaten collaboration within and between teams, hampering individual and team learning. Developing a culture of 'team reflection' could help overcome these tensions and serve both learning and patient care. In this session, Walter will explore beliefs and behaviours that promote team reflection and team inclusiveness, such as the importance of psychological safety and perspective taking, inclusive leadership, and inclusive leader language. Finally, Walter will give practical strategies to integrate principles of team reflection and team inclusiveness into simulation-based education.

[Register here.](#)

Opportunities

Area Division Lead - ER, Saskatchewan Health Authority

The Area Department Lead, Prince Albert, is a key leader in Saskatchewan health care, partnering with system leaders to achieve our province's health care goals. Reporting to the Area Chief of Staff and supporting the work of the respective Physician Executive/Vice-President dyad and the Provincial head, this position works closely with the Saskatchewan Health Authority and Health System Colleagues in the development and achievement of strategy by articulating gaps and needs.

[See full posting.](#)

Coordinator of Undergrad & Off-Service Residents for the Department of Emergency Medicine

After several years serving as the **Coordinator of Undergrad & Off-Service Residents for the Department of Emergency Medicine**, Dr. Meira Louis is stepping down from her role and is pursuing a new role within the department. We would like to thank Meira for serving with excellence in this role, and we'd like to acknowledge the many significant contributions she has made.

The Department of Emergency Medicine in partnership with the University of Calgary, invites applications for the position of **Coordinator of Undergrad & Off-Service Residents**. This position is considered a .25 FTE role, and is compensated at the rate of \$54,203.27 per annum by the University of Calgary. [Full description here.](#)

Meira officially steps down from this role effective **February 28, 2022**.

To apply for this opportunity, please email me a cover letter highlighting your interest and skillset for this position, along with an updated CV. Cover letters and CV's should be emailed to: ScottH.Banks@albertahealthservices.ca and should be received no later than **February 25, 2022**.

Facility Medical Director, Rockyview General Hospital – Expression of Interest

Alberta Health Services (AHS) is seeking a successful and dedicated medical leader with demonstrated experience in health care to lead the Calgary Zone as Facility Medical Director, Rockyview General Hospital (RGH). This is an exciting opportunity to join and further support a dedicated team committed to excellence and enhanced performance. This role is a medical leader in the Calgary Zone and is a 0.4 FTE position. [See posting here.](#)

CME

Faculty Development Sessions:

TEACHING WITH ZOOM

Technical and Pedagogical tips!

If you would like an opportunity to get your hands dirty and play around with some of the Zoom functionality you will learn about in this session, feel free to also register for the "Hands-On" portion that follows later the same day.

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 - [SIGN UP NOW!](#)

Friday, June 3, 2022 - [SIGN UP NOW!](#)

CLINICAL TEACHING SKILLS

How to recognize challenges of clinical teaching, describe approaches to teaching in the clinical setting, utilize basic principles of cognitive psychology in teaching and put it all into practice.

Thursday, March 24, 2022

1:00pm – 3:00pm

[Sign Up Now!](#)

Want more? Please keep an eye on our [event calendar](#) for future offerings.

Kudos Corner

[Experts offer guidelines for safely reviving drowning victims during pandemic - The Washington Post](#)

Kudos to Dr. Kelsey MacLeod on this touching [patient commendation!](#)